

Alexandria Gazette.

TUESDAY EVENING, JAN. 9 1900

LOCAL MATTERS.

Sun rose at 7:18 a. m.; sun sets at 4:57 p. m. High water at 8:29 a. m. and 9:29 p. m.

RATHER PROBABILITIES.—For this section increasing cloudiness tonight; threatening Wednesday, with rain in the afternoon; light to fresh east to northeast.

BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE

The regular monthly meeting of the Business Men's League was held last night, President M. B. Harlow presiding.

The name of Wm. M. Reardon was presented for membership and he was elected.

The resignation of Mr. P. F. Gorman was announced.

Mr. W. F. Carne, the secretary, read several circulars he had received from different places during the past month.

He also read a letter from Hon. J. F. Rixey announcing that he had sent a set of the Congressional Record to the rooms of the league.

Mr. Isaac Eichberg said he noticed that a bill had been introduced in Congress providing that in cities containing 50,000 inhabitants and over electric wires shall be placed underground.

The speaker thought the movement was just to smaller cities, as there was just as much danger from overhead wires in cities of 15,000 or 20,000 inhabitants.

He desired the league to enter its protest against the legislature ignoring small cities in the matter.

Mr. Clarence Leadbeater sustained Mr. Eichberg's views and thought the league should take early action.

Judge Norton thought the movement would be a mistake. There was but one electric railroad in Alexandria, while there were several in Richmond.

At this time we were endeavoring to attract capital and business to Alexandria, and already one large railway corporation was contemplating making additions to their shops and yards here. He therefore believed it impossible to enter into any such movement now.

Mr. Eichberg again urged his reasons for having Alexandria included and he expatiated the electric railway company for being remiss in various matters in connection with the city.

At the suggestion of Mr. W. H. May, Mr. Eichberg moved that the secretary correspond with Mr. Frank Hume and request him to amend the bill so as to include cities having populations corresponding with that of Alexandria.

Mr. Carne thought the matter an important one, and should be considered when there was a larger attendance.

Mr. May said if anything was to be done the league should act at once. He favored Mr. Eichberg's movement and thought the bill should include all cities and towns in the State.

Mr. Leadbeater again spoke in favor of having the wires placed underground and showed the dangers of those placed overhead.

Finally Mr. Eichberg withdrew his motion and suggested that the league meet again Thursday night to consider the matter, and it was so agreed.

Mr. Eichberg said he had another matter for the league to consider—that was that the legislature be asked to appropriate \$40,000 for the proposed Mount Vernon Avenue, not to be called for until Congress passes a bill providing for the construction of the Memorial Bridge.

Mr. Harlow made some interesting statements concerning the proposed bridge, showing the progress which had so far been made in Congress.

Mr. May did not think the legislature should be asked to appropriate such a sum. In fact the State did not have the money.

The farce bill taxing mortgages was generally denounced, and it was generally agreed that our Senator and Delegate in the legislature should be requested to urge its immediate repeal.

The secretary was directed to communicate with these representatives and give the views of the league on this bill.

Mr. Harlow had recently received letters from parties in various cities making inquiries as to the inducements Alexandria offers to manufacturers who desire to come here. He would like to know what answers should be sent. He had made many inquiries himself, and would like to hear from some present on the subject.

Mr. Harlow suggested that an organization be effected by which each member should be required to subscribe one dollar per month or any other specified sum in order that a fund could be raised to loan to small manufacturers, the money to be repaid by the latter after so many years.

Mr. Eichberg thought the idea impracticable, but Judge Norton believed Mr. Harlow's scheme feasible.

The conversational debate which followed was by no means confined to the subject which had been sprung, and it drifted into sundry channels. During the discussion it was shown that but twenty-eight persons had their names on the rolls of the league, the bulk of the business men of the city having failed to join it.

Finally Messrs. J. K. M. Norton, Clarence Leadbeater, H. F. Robertson, W. H. May and Isaac Eichberg were appointed a special committee to ascertain the practicability of organizing such a company as had been suggested, and the president was added to the committee.

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year: M. B. Harlow, president; J. T. Burke and J. C. Smoot, vice presidents; W. F. Carne, secretary, and J. W. May, treasurer.

Judge Norton and Messrs. C. C. Leadbeater and W. M. Reardon were elected additional directors.

After some further discussion on various subjects the league adjourned, after which there was a meeting of the special committee, Judge Norton having been elected chairman.

THE WEATHER AND THE RIVER.—The mercury dropped to 24° last night and more ice formed, but by noon today the temperature had risen to 38°.

The Norfolk steamers and the ferry steamer Columbia are now making regular trips and this morning the Harry Randall started on her trip to the lower river landings.

Most of the ice is broken up and running with the tide and offers but little resistance except when "jams" occur.

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of GUY'S TASTELINESS CHILL TONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. 50c.

Size doesn't indicate quality. Beware of counterfeit and worthless salve offered for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. DeWitt's is the only original. An infallible cure for piles and all skin diseases.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS.—The committee on poor held their regular monthly meeting last night and approved such bills as were presented for supplies to out-door poor and poor houses furnished last month. The committee called on Mayor Simpson and discussed in an informal way the best method of serving the deserving poor with food and groceries. The Mayor said the police had been instructed to make any inquiries on the part of, and to assist the Overseer of Poor, and Mr. Shook was himself posted as to many undeserving. The committee and the Mayor also talked over the bills for medicines for the poor, both, however, recognizing that if costly prescriptions were given and frequently renewed the bills would continue large. The committee also made a critical examination of medicine bills and fixed the average prescription from 55 to 60 cents, and a difference in some instances in the cost of standard preparations, such as peptonoids and creosote, pepto-mangum, maltine, emulsion, lactopeptone, tong-line, &c. The Mayor stated to the committee that he was of the opinion, from an examination of the law, that no obligation, and only an understanding, exists as to the dispensers striking one-third from their bills, because section 5 chapter 20 of the corporation code provides that "The dispensers of medicines shall be paid in such manner as may from time to time be regulated by the City Council." During the last seven months the bills of the dispensers have amounted to \$1,050 gross, \$700 net. The committee of course expect that the very deserving poor shall be cared for, but in this case effort should be made to economize.

The committee on finance also met last night to receive an ordinance prepared by Corporation Attorney Boothe in reference to the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railway.

PERSONAL.—Mr. James S. Smythe, who recently had a part of his foot cut off by a planing machine, is able to be out again.

Mr. Clarence Howard is visiting relatives in Fredericksburg.

Rev. Robert Burwell Nelson, of Frederick county, Md., has accepted the position of assistant rector of Christ Protestant Episcopal Church, Baltimore, to succeed Rev. Henry F. Klossman, who resigned a few weeks ago as rector of St. Paul's Church at Haymarket. He is a son of the late Rev. Dr. Kinloch Nelson, who was professor of Greek and New Testament literature in the Theological Seminary.

Mr. John Stephenson, of Lowell, Mass., today paid a visit to the Hydraulics engine house.

Mr. and Mrs. Waters and daughter, Mr. Strockel, Miss E. Ashkettle and Mrs. Geo. W. Johnson, who have been visiting in this city, have returned to their homes in North Wilkesboro, N. C.

REV. MR. THACKER.—Rev. J. Ernest Thacker, the new pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, preached his initial sermon there Sunday—morning and night—to the great pleasure of his congregation. Mr. Thacker had preached at this church before, and his hearers were prepared for the excellent discourses he delivered. He is a fine pulpit speaker and one of the most promising young divines in the Southern connection of that denomination. On arriving here last Saturday he and his family took board at the Monticello Hotel, but will shortly occupy their home on York street—the H. L. Page residence. Mr. Page is building in Ghent, and the church has rented his present residence, instead of occupying its former manse, on Bush street, which it has rented out. —[Norfolk Ledger.]

POLICE COURT.—Mayor George L. Simpson presiding. The following cases were disposed of this morning:

John Williams, colored, charged with robbing the house of Mr. Ansley, was committed to jail for court.

Wm. Baker, charged with defacing the property of Eva Baker, forfeit \$5 collateral. A man, charged with being drunk and disorderly and shooting a pistol in the street, forfeit \$10 collateral.

William Jones, colored, charged with disorderly conduct, forfeit \$2.50 collateral.

Eva Baker, charged with selling liquor without a license, was fined \$20.

James Coleman and Joseph Green, charged with gambling, were dismissed.

Charles Johnson, charged with disorderly conduct, was dismissed.

Night Report.—Last night was clear and cold. Three prisoners and fifteen lodgers were at the station house.

CHRIST CHURCH.—At a meeting of Christ Church vestry yesterday evening Mr. Clarence C. Leadbeater was elected by the death of his father, the late E. S. Leadbeater, deceased.

Mr. E. S. Leadbeater, deceased, and Mr. H. F. Robertson Junior, Warden in place of Mr. Smoot. It is understood that Mr. John Caspman, a student at the Episcopal Theological Seminary, will be appointed director of the choir.

ARRESTED.—Some excitement was created on north Lee street last night by the crashing of a glass door and the shouts of several women. The trouble occurred when several young men went to the house of Eva Baker and procured some liquor. In their haste to get out of the place a door was broken, and later camp was made at the station house. Lieutenant Smith arrested William Jones and Charles Johnson of Washington, Jones left \$7 for his appearance to court and forfeited his collateral. At the police court the man said he had procured beer at the house, and on the strength of this Eva Baker was arrested by Policeman Beech and was charged with selling liquor without a license. Mayor Simpson held a special session of court last night and fined the Baker woman \$20. Johnson was dismissed.

Editor's Awful Plight.

F. M. Higgin, Editor Seneca, (Ill.) News, was afflicted several years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Becken's Anemia Salve. He writes two boxes wholly cured him. It's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c a box. Sold by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons, Druggists.

G. H. Appleton, Justice of Peace, Clarksville, N. J., says "DeWitt's Little Early Remedy" cured the best pills made for constipation. We use no other. Quickly cures for all liver and bowel trouble.

To the Public.

I want to let the people who suffer from rheumatism and sciatica know that Chamberlain's Pain Balm relieved me after a number of other medicines and a doctor had failed to cure me. It is the best I have ever known of. J. A. DODGEN, Alpha of rheumatism by this remedy. One application relieves the pain. For sale by all druggists.

Ladies, clean your Kid Gloves with La Belle Glove Cleaner. For sale only by Mrs. C. E. Bradley, 414 King street. Headquarters for Kid Gloves and all the latest novelties in fine millinery and fancy goods.

NATIONAL UNION.—The regular monthly meeting of Alexandria County National Union, No. 665, was held at Pythian Hall, north Pitt street, last night. There was a large attendance, and considerable amount of business was transacted after the following officers, previously elected, were installed by Lodge Deputy Thomas H. Morgan: Lawrence W. Woody, president; T. H. Morgan, vice-president; Willis P. Henshaw, ex-president; Chas. H. Davis, secretary; S. P. Jackson, financial secretary; James McCuen, treasurer; E. F. Downham, speaker; C. E. Jewell, chaplain; Thos. U. Fairfax, usher; Chas. H. Callahan, sergeant-at-arms; M. E. Norris, doorkeeper; C. H. Davis, L. W. Woody and W. P. Henshaw, trustees. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for holding a public "smoker" on the second Monday night in February, when prominent members of the order from a distance will be present.

FIRE.—A frame house on Washington street, south of Franklin, occupied by Matilda Harris, colored, was damaged by fire about 2:30 o'clock this evening. The fire department responded and extinguished the flames. The fire is supposed to have been caused by two children who had been left in the house. The damage amounts to about \$200.

MEETINGS.—The annual election of directors of the First National Bank was held at the bank house today, when the following were re-elected: Joseph Bruders, Noble Landry, J. F. Muir, M. B. Hall and G. L. Boothe.

The Citizens' National Bank at their annual election today re-elected the following directors: B. Wheat, E. L. Putnam, F. L. Smith, W. J. Lambert and Worth Hulsh.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the McLaughlin Real Estate and Loan Company, for the election of directors for the ensuing year, was held at the principal office of the company, No. 123 south Royal street, today.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the American Siding Machine Company, held at the office of Mr. G. L. Boothe, yesterday afternoon, the following directors were elected for the ensuing year: Wm. A. McKenney, Albert M. Reed, Willard F. Warner, L. W. Gifford, Wm. M. Harper, G. N. French, J. P. Fitch, J. D. Arnold and M. A. W. Louis, all of Washington.

The Rockwell Car Cushion Trans Company met yesterday evening and elected the following directors and officers for the ensuing year: T. B. Campbell, Richard Young, E. V. Brooks, Wm. Starr, L. A. Crandall, Mary Fayle, R. W. Browne.

The following were today elected directors of the Alexandria Shoe Company: Dr. Wm. Starr, Dr. T. B. Campbell, Wm. Smith, Miss Mary Flagler, Miss M. L. O'Meara, John A. McKenney, E. W. Browne and C. W. O'Meara. The meeting adjourned till March 15.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Cochrane Marble Company was held today at the principal office of the company, No. 107 north Fairfax street.

COLORADO DELEGATION.—The quarter-masters and commissaries aid society of this city, which has for its object the relief of the colored employees of the U. S. government during the civil war who were taxed five dollars per month each for the care of indigent freedmen, have appointed a committee of colored men to wait on Hon. J. F. Rixey at the Capitol in Washington tomorrow for the purpose of urging Mr. Rixey, who has done more for them in relation to this matter than all others since the war, to do what is necessary to give this bill before the house of claims. The committee will be headed by Wm. A. Carter, secretary for the association.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box 25c.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

No business of interest was transacted in the Corporation Court today.

Mr. Tecumseh Dwyer has been appointed a substitute letter carrier.

The semi-monthly meeting of the City Council will be held tonight.

The third social of the season will be given by the Lyceum Social and Literary Club tonight.

A home telephone has been placed in the store of H. L. Simpson's Sons, on north Royal street.

A large attendance is expected at the Royal Arcanum entertainment to be given at the Opera House tonight.

The Washington Brick Machine Company will go into liquidation by reason of the scarcity of clay at its plant.

Mr. John Slater reports that a valuable carriage robe was stolen from his buggy on upper Cameron street last night.

A marriage license was issued in Washington yesterday to Lake W. Jones and Salie Steele, of Fairfax county.

A colored woman was struck by a train at the corner of Duke and streets last night and narrowly escaped being killed.

The regular weekly meeting and drill of the Alexandria Light Infantry was held last night. Arrangements were made for a series of basketball and indoor baseball games.

An effort will be made at this session of Congress to amend the divorce law of the District of Columbia, which is said to be too lax and needs to be made more stringent.

C. C. West, colored, of this city, was killed by an explosion of dynamite at McConnelleville, Pa., on Saturday while blasting in a coal mine. His body was brought here today for interment.

Mr. Wm. Crupper while at work in the Southern Railway shops a few days since was struck in the eye by a piece of metal and the organ was so badly injured that it will probably have to be extirpated.

Max Kesh, the young German artist, last week charged with maliciously cutting ladies' dresses in Washington, acknowledged his guilt yesterday and also admitted his guilt of similar cases in New York and Philadelphia. The prisoner said his conduct was the result of a nervous condition.

As soon as the Potomac is clear of all ice Mr. C. E. Creech, the Washington representative of the Holland Submarine Boat Company, says he will give a series of exhibition dives for the benefit of the Congressional Naval Committee and for officers of the navy as well as of the army.

The services for the Week of Prayer began last night at the Baptist Church. Rev. T. P. Bevel, of the M. P. Church, delivered an able sermon on "Prayerful Confession." The services will be held tonight in Trinity Church, and will be conducted by Rev. J. E. Butler, pastor of the Baptist Church, who will deliver a sermon on "The Church Universal."

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A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim."

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BYRAN'S SPEECH.—Mr. Bryan was given an ovation by the Jackson Club at its banquet, held in Omaha, last night. In his speech he said that the adoption of the gold standard would result in financial stringencies with every financial disturbance in Europe; that the gold policy is responsible for Wall street's scare; that a lever is a cure for our ills; contended that the republicans are trying to lead the nation all he claimed they would in 1896, and denounced trusts and monopolies. He also touched on the Philippine question and maintained that it would require a large standing army to keep the natives in subjection. He said "The decision on the nation on the Philippine question will be an epoch-making decision. We stand at the parting of the ways, and must choose between the doctrine of republics and the doctrine of empires."

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Our January Sale of Muslin Underwear.

Comprises the most wonderful undergarments to be found. They are not vulgar in over-trimming; but tasteful and dainty—such garments as women of refined taste would have made at home, if time and patience permitted. A great deal of the underwear offered at this sale costs you about the same as the material would without making, and costs you less than we could actually buy it for today.

Muslin Gowns, tucked yokes, cambric ruffles on neck and sleeves, 50c.

Muslin Gowns, V neck, with hemstitched ruffles on neck and sleeves, 50c.

Cambric Gowns, trimmed with Hamburg and insertion, 75c.

Muslin Corset Covers, high neck, felled seams, 12½c.

Cambric Corset Covers, low neck, felled seams, pearl buttons, 25c.

Cambric Corset Covers, square neck, trimmed with embroidery, 25c.

Cambric and Muslin Drawers, wide hem, tucks, felled seams, 21c.

Muslin Drawers, umbrella style, cambric ruffle, with hemstitched tucks on ruffle, 20c.

Muslin and Nainsook Drawers, umbrella style, trimmed with embroidery, 50c.

Muslin Skirts, with deep ruffles of fine embroidery, \$1.

Children's Frocks, Skirts, Waists, Drawers, &c.

Cambric and Gingham Dresses, ruffle on neck and sleeves, deep hem, 25c.

Gingham Dresses, pink and blue checks, ruffle over shoulders, deep hem, 50c.

Nainsook Dresses, round yokes of tucks and hem-stitching, 75c.

Nainsook Long Slips, gathered full from the neck, embroidery on neck and sleeves, 65c.

Nainsook Skirts, deep hem with tucks above, 50c.

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